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SUBJECT: VIETNAM DIPLOMAT ASYLUM REQUEST

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1. REFS B AND C OUTLINE POLICY WITH RESPECT TO REQUESTS FOR ASYLUM FROM VIETNAMESE DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL. NO GENERAL PAROLE AUTHORITY EXISTS FOR SUCH PERSONS. WHILE WE ARE SYMPATHETIC TO DIFFICULTIES OF SITUATION, WE ARE UNDER CLEAR CONGRESSIONAL MANDATE TO INTERNATIONALIZE RESETTLEMENT OF REFUGEES TO MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE. ACCORDINGLY, ASYLUM REQUESTS WILL BE CONSIDERED ONLY IN CASES INVOLVING CLEAR DANGER OR WHERE ALL OTHER INTERNATIONAL AVENUES HAVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PROVED UNSUCCESSFUL.

2. AMBASSADOR THIEP SHOULD BE COUNSELLED TO SEEK OTHER COUNTRY OF ASYLUM OR ASSISTANCE THROUGH INTERNATIONAL AGENCY SUCH AS ICEM, ICRC, OR UNHCR. FYI: THIEP'S STUDENT SON WILL BE PERMITTED TO REMAIN IN US IF HE WISHES AND WILL PRESUMABLY EVENTUALLY BE ABLE TO CHANGE TO PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN STATUS, HOWEVER, SINCE THERE ARE SOME 15,000 VIETNAMESE NIVS IN US CURRENTLY, NUMERICAL LIMITATIONS OF INA WILL MAKE THIS A SLOW PROCESS. THIEP SHOULD NOT, THEREFORE, EXPECT TO DERIVE ANY IMMIGRATION STATUS THROUGH HIS SON FOR SOME YEARS TO COME. KISSINGER

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